

4. H.R. 2465—Family Farmer Bankruptcy Relief Act of 2003 (#300). Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

**PAYING TRIBUTE TO SAM JOHNSON**

**HON. MIKE ROGERS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 2003*

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute posthumously to Fort Campbell's Deputy Garrison Commander, Sam Johnson for his vital role and tireless commitment to his duties and country.

Sam Johnson began his career at Fort Campbell in 1972. He was the first civilian to fill the position of Youth Activities Director. Mr. Johnson quickly rose to the top at Fort Campbell, continually becoming the first civilian to fill the posts of Outdoor Recreation Director, Recreation Services Officer, and even being transferred to Panama in the Cold War to oversee the entire Army Recreation Program.

After serving in Panama, Mr. Johnson returned to Fort Campbell to, yet again, become the first civilian to hold the title and responsibility of Deputy Director of Personnel and Community Activities. In just a few years, he became Director of Personnel and Community Activities. Mr. Johnson's excellent administrative skills shined in his position as Deputy Resource Manager, which helped him to obtain his appointment as the only civilian to ever serve as Deputy Garrison Commander.

For the past 11 years, Mr. Johnson has served as Deputy Garrison Commander. His love for his country is evident by his devotion to his job. Despite his diagnosis of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, he still continued with his duties. Mr. Johnson was able to perform his responsibilities as Deputy Garrison Commander until his recent death. Deputy Garrison Commander Sam Johnson emulated his principles of hard work and never giving up.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to extend the gratitude of myself and the entire Nation to Sam Johnson in recognition of his outstanding commitment and service to Fort Campbell and to our country. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking him and offering comfort to his family and Fort Campbell, as they will truly miss Sam Johnson, a man of true courage and character.

**CONGRATULATIONS CONTINENTAL MICRONESIA ON 35TH ANNIVERSARY**

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 2003*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to congratulate Continental Micronesia on its 35th anniversary and to wish a happy birthday to CEO Mark Erwin and employees of Continental Micronesia.

I also want to take this time to commend the services rendered by Continental Micronesia to the island of Guam. Guam is the regional hub for Continental Micronesia, and we are proud of the network that strengthens ties be-

tween Guam and our Pacific neighbors. Tourism is the leading private sector industry on Guam, and Continental has provided consistent, reliable service to Guam and to destinations across the entire Pacific Rim including: Cairns, Australia; Denpasar, Indonesia; Hong Kong; Honolulu, Hawaii; Koror, Palau; Kosrae, Micronesia; Kwajalein, Marshall Islands; Majuro, Marshall Islands; Nagoya, Japan; Niigata, Japan; Osaka/Kenai, Japan; Pohnpei, Micronesia; Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; Sapporo, Japan; Sendai, Japan; Taipei, Taiwan; Chuuk, Micronesia; and Yap, Micronesia.

Continental Airlines moved its headquarters to Los Angeles, California in July, 1963, as it provided important transportation services to members of the armed forces between the United States and Asia during the Vietnam War. In response to its increased importance in the Pacific during the Vietnam War, Continental formed Air Micronesia in 1968. Air Micronesia, now known as Continental Micronesia, has become one of the principal passenger airlines for the islands of the Pacific, providing services between the islands and nations along the Pacific Rim and the mainland.

Under trailblazing CEO Robert F. Six, Continental Airlines mixed creativity with ingenuity in establishing many of its flight routes in the Pacific. During the 1960's, Continental Micronesia would staff flights with mechanics and carry spare materials on board in order that passenger airliners could land on and embark from coral island landing strips. The company was also innovative in that it opened hotels and restaurants at its island destinations in order to stimulate tourism.

In 1976, Air Micronesia began providing services between Saipan and Japan. This additional service would prove to be vital to the future economic growth of Guam, for the vast majority of the over one million tourists that visit Guam each year are Japanese. In fact, Continental Micronesia's Guam-Tokyo, Japan route became the airline industry's single most profitable route in the world. We on Guam are grateful for this mutually beneficial relationship, and we look forward to working together with Continental to perpetuate further growth of the visitor industry on Guam.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to Continental Micronesia and its employees for their years of hard work and dedication to the people of Guam, as they celebrate their 35th birthday. Without their commitment, the visitor industry on Guam could not thrive.

**HONORING THE MEMORY OF MR. HOWARD D. SAMUEL**

**HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKEY**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 2003*

Mr. VISCLOSKEY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great admiration that I rise today to honor the memory of Mr. Howard D. Samuel, and his lifelong contributions to our great country. Howard passed away on June 19, 2003. His efforts as a veteran of the labor movement, as well as his numerous positive accomplishments during his long career, are worthy of the highest commendation.

Howard began his work in the labor movement in 1949 as an organizer with the Amal-

gamated Clothing Workers of America. He was then elected as international vice president in 1966. His dedication and unrelenting service to the movement paved the way for new and innovative solutions to labor problems and issues. In 1977, he was appointed U.S. Deputy Secretary of Labor for International Labor Affairs by President Carter. His role as Deputy Secretary allowed him the opportunity to be involved with many facets of the department such as international trade, trade adjustment assistance, and the International Labor Organization.

In 1979, Howard was elected President of the Industrial Union Department, a federation consisting of over 50 national and international unions affiliated with the AFL-CIO. During his presidency, he founded the Collective Bargaining Forum, a study group of union presidents and various company CEOs. This Forum initiated several groundbreaking reports on industrial relations issues. In 1991, Howard was the first labor representative to ever be appointed to the Defense Science Board, a key advisory organization to the Secretary of Defense.

Howard, by serving in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945, exhibited his true sense of patriotic duty to our nation. He also served as vice chairman of both the New York Coalition and the Council on Competitiveness. Along with his many other contributions to society, he was also a trustee and board member of the Carnegie Corporation, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center in Atlanta, as well the American Civil Liberties Union, to name just a few.

Mr. Speaker, Howard D. Samuel dedicated his life to supporting the labor movement and serving as a leader and role model for all Americans. I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in remembering Mr. Samuel and his lifetime of achievement and devotion to our great country. He will be remembered honorably and truly missed.

**IN RECOGNITION OF JOSEPH C. SPICUZZO**

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 24, 2003*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Joseph C. Spicuzzo, a friend and distinguished public servant who has dedicated much of his life to improving the lives of others. Joe is being awarded the Americanism Award by the Anti-Defamation League tonight in New Brunswick, New Jersey not only for his distinguished public service but for his dedication to raising funds for important charitable causes.

Joe began his long career of public service with his election as Mayor of Spotswood in 1976 and currently is the Middlesex County Sheriff and the Chairman of the Middlesex County Democratic Organization. Joe was also asked by Governor McGreevey to take on the added responsibility of being the "Chair of Chairs", an informal position that allows him direct access to the Governor and his staff to help resolve outstanding issues affecting the individual counties in the State. Joe has demonstrated great success in leadership positions mainly because of the confidence people